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SUBJECT: AMERICAN MISSIONARIES IN ZAIRE

FOR NEWLIN

1. DR. MILTON BAKER, AFRICAN SECRETARY OF CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY (CBFMS OF WHEATON, ILL) AND CURRENT PRESIDENT OF EVANGELICAL FOREIGN MISSION ASSOCIATION WILL ARRIVE KINSHASA NOVEMBER 12 FOR WEEK OF CONFERENCES WITH CBFMS REPS IN ZAIRE. DURING HIS 8 DAYS IN KINSHASA, DR. BAKER WILL CONTACT DCM NEWLIN TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON CURRENT SITUATION IN ZAIRE.

2. FYI - BAKER VISIT IS ROUTINE AFFAIR AND WE KNOW OF NO SPECIAL PROBLEMS PRESENTLY CONFRONTING US BAPTISTS IN ZAIRE. MOST ARE IN OR NEAR KIVU AREA AND WE ASSUME NDEBO'S COMMENTS NOTED IN BUKAVU'S A-20 OF OCT 15 WOULD PRESENT NO PROBLEMS TO SEASONED CB MISSIONARIES. EMBASSY VIEWS WILL BE MOST HELPFUL TO BAKER IN PREPARING HIS TRIP REPORT FOR INTERESTED US CHURCH GROUPS. END FYI. RUSH

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